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Woman died in city floods

Police discovered a woman's body at a tow yard Friday, two days after she died in her floodstuck car. The 27-year-old became stuck Wednesday in rising water near Musgrave and Haines streets. Her father, a Philadelphia police officer, filed a missing persons report Thursday.

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Curfew extended downtown

CITY HALL. Mayor Michael Nutter last week extended the temporary curfew for minors Friday and Saturday nights throughout areas of Center City and University City.

The curfew will remain 9 p.m. Friday and Saturday nights while the weekday curfew for teenagers 13 and older is 10:30 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. for children 12 and under. If accompanied by a legal guardian, minors are allowed on the city streets past curfew.

Fines for parents or legal guardians of children who break curfew will remain in effect.

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▶ Turning Tasty around.

Tastykake cleanup funded

CITY HALL. Two future shopping centers, one at the former Tasty Baking Co. site in Nicetown, have received federal funding for cleaning up the "brownfields" sites.

The $4.25 million is expected to stimulate jobs at the Edison Square project at the former Edison High School and the Bakers Centre project at the former home to Tastykake. Both will become retail centers. METRO/LMW

One dead in home invasion

STRAWBERRY MANSION. A violent home invasion killed one man and left three critically wounded Saturday night.

Police were called to North Newkirk Street shortly before 12:30 a.m. They found a man, 20, fatally shot in the head.

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9/11. 10th anniversary

▶ A Coast Guard lieutenant who declined to be identified mourned at a marker for his stepfather during a ceremony at the Garden of Reflection in Bucks County.

Reflecting in Bucks County

Thousands commemorated yesterday the 10th anniversary of the Sept. 11, 2001 attacks at one of Philadelphia best-known memorials to the victims of that day, the Garden of Reflection in Lower Makefield. The ceremony started at 8:46 a.m., when the first plane hit the World Trade Center's twin towers 10 years ago.

Union leader says bus attacks 'crazy'

After another assault of bus driver last Thursday, TWU head will lead lobby of Harrisburg Says transit operators should be specially protected

The head of the Transport Workers Union said he will assemble a task force to lobby Harrisburg for legislation that would add further protection for transit workers after a second operator was attacked late last week.

The latest incident happened Thursday afternoon on the Route 22 bus in Hatboro. The female operator was letting a male passenger off the bus when the male allegedly began striking her with his fists and an umbrella. The assault happened two days after another female operator was shot on an unoccupied bus in Grays Ferry.

"He lunged at me and I moved back. He lunged at me again, and when he lunged at me the second time, I went down and … he started hitting me with the umbrella. One of the guys had to come pull him off me," said Wanda Avery, who's worked for SEPTA for seven years.

Avery said when the attack started the bus was still in gear with about 15 passengers on board, so she had to put it in neutral while trying to defend herself in order to avoid an accident.

"It is scary because of the fact it could've happened while I was driving. Then you think about the passengers, they were scared."
AVERY, WHO SUSTAINED A SPRAINED FINGER AND SOME BUMPS AND BRUISES

According to SEPTA, 47 operators have been assaulted this year, more than double the 20 from last year.

John Johnson, president of Transport Workers Union Local 234, said a task force will urge lawmakers to support the bill sponsored by state Sen. Christine Tartaglione, of Philadelphia, that would add transit operators to the protected class, increasing penalties for those who assault them.

"We can't keep living like this. It's crazy. Aside from the operators' [safety], it's a public danger," Johnson said.

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Boxer headlines anti-violence summit

Simon "One Punch" Carr is no stranger to the brutality of youth poverty. His father died the day he was born; his mother, when he was 5 years old.

The Point Breeze native began boxing at 12 and quickly rose through the ranks. But, just as he was about to sign a professional contract, he was convicted of third-degree murder.

Carr emerged eight years later a changed man.

"The same community I helped destroy and damage, I wanted to come back and repair," he said Friday at a Youth Empowerment Conference called "Shut Up and Listen!" he helped organize. Panelists spoke about positive steps teens and their parents can take towards building a stronger community.

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9/11: The day in pictures

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A day of mourning

▶ **1:** President Barack Obama and first lady Michelle Obama greet family members of those killed in the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, during a visit to the Pentagon Memorial in Washington, D.C., yesterday

▶ **2:** Following a remembrance ceremony, Chin Sok Wells kisses his 10-week-old son Cristian on the memorial bench of his deceased sister Army Spc. Chin Sun Pak Wells who died in the attack on the Pentagon in 2001.

▶ **3:** At the memorial pool, Vasantha Velamuri mourns at the sight of her husband's name, Sankara Sastry Velamuri, who died in the World Trade Center.

▶ **4:** New York police, fire and Port Authority officers salute during the singing of "The Star-Spangled Banner" during the 10th anniversary ceremonies at the site of the World Trade Center.

▶ **5:** A 9/11 memorial ribbon is pinned on a Houston Texans jersey as the Texans play against the Indianapolis Colts yesterday in Houston, Texas.

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10 years after 9/11: 'It doesn't get any easier'

Emotional day reveals a nation still in mourning ◗ Family members are haunted by painful memories ◗ People come from all over to remember

Yesterday's 10-year anniversary of the Sept. 11 attacks revealed a fresh wound that for some — even a decade later — never quite healed.

"It's been hard for the family. I moved out of the country for six years because of 9/11," said Shana Skinner.

Skinner, a New York City resident, recalled lifting the miniblinds in the window of her Manhattan apartment just in time to see the second plane crash into the South Tower. It's a memory that is just as vivid today as it was on Sept. 12, 2001.

Her uncle, Walter Arthur McNeil, was killed that day.

It's still too painful for McNeil's daughter to attend the memorial service, said Skinner.

"His daughter is still going through it," she said. "That's why she's not here today."

It is not just family members of victims who continue to be profoundly moved by the memory of 9/11. Sunday's service drew people from across the country and across the world who came to mourn the lives lost that day.

"It's been like this for 10 years," said Ernesto Perez of the intense emotion connected to the date of 9/11. He traveled to New York City from Placerville, Calif., to mark the anniversary.

"I just wanted to feel whatever it is we all feel in mourning," he said.

"I wish my dad had been there to teach me how to drive, ask a girl out on a date and see me graduate from high school and a hundred other things I can't even begin to name ... I hope that I can make my father proud."

PETER NEGRON, WHOSE FATHER, PETE, DIED IN THE WTC ATTACK

Outside the ceremony in the public viewing area, firefighter James Brady, a New Jersey resident, was one of the first responders to the scene on 9/11. He cried openly yesterday as the names of the dead were read.

"Year to year, it doesn't get any easier," he said. "But it's not about us."

Sunday's ceremony at the World Trade Center began just after 8:30 a.m. with a processional. President Obama and first lady Michelle Obama were joined by former President George W. Bush and former first lady Laura Bush.

Bells tolled during moments of silence observed throughout the morning to mark each time a plane struck a tower, the Pentagon, the field in Shanksville, Pa., and when each tower fell.

The name of each victim was read aloud by family members in between performances by musicians including Yo-Yo Ma, James Taylor and Paul Simon. Thousands of people migrated in and around the World Trade Center to observe the ceremony, many of them clutching photos of loved ones who were lost, but not forgotten.

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▶ A mourner etches the name of a lost loved one yesterday at the memorial.

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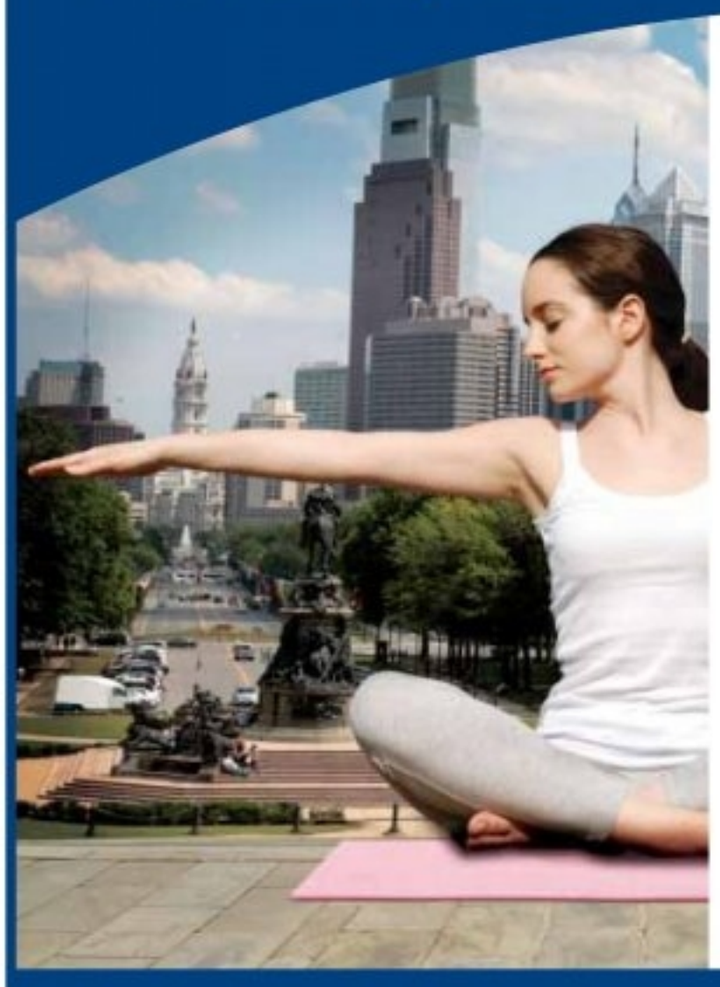

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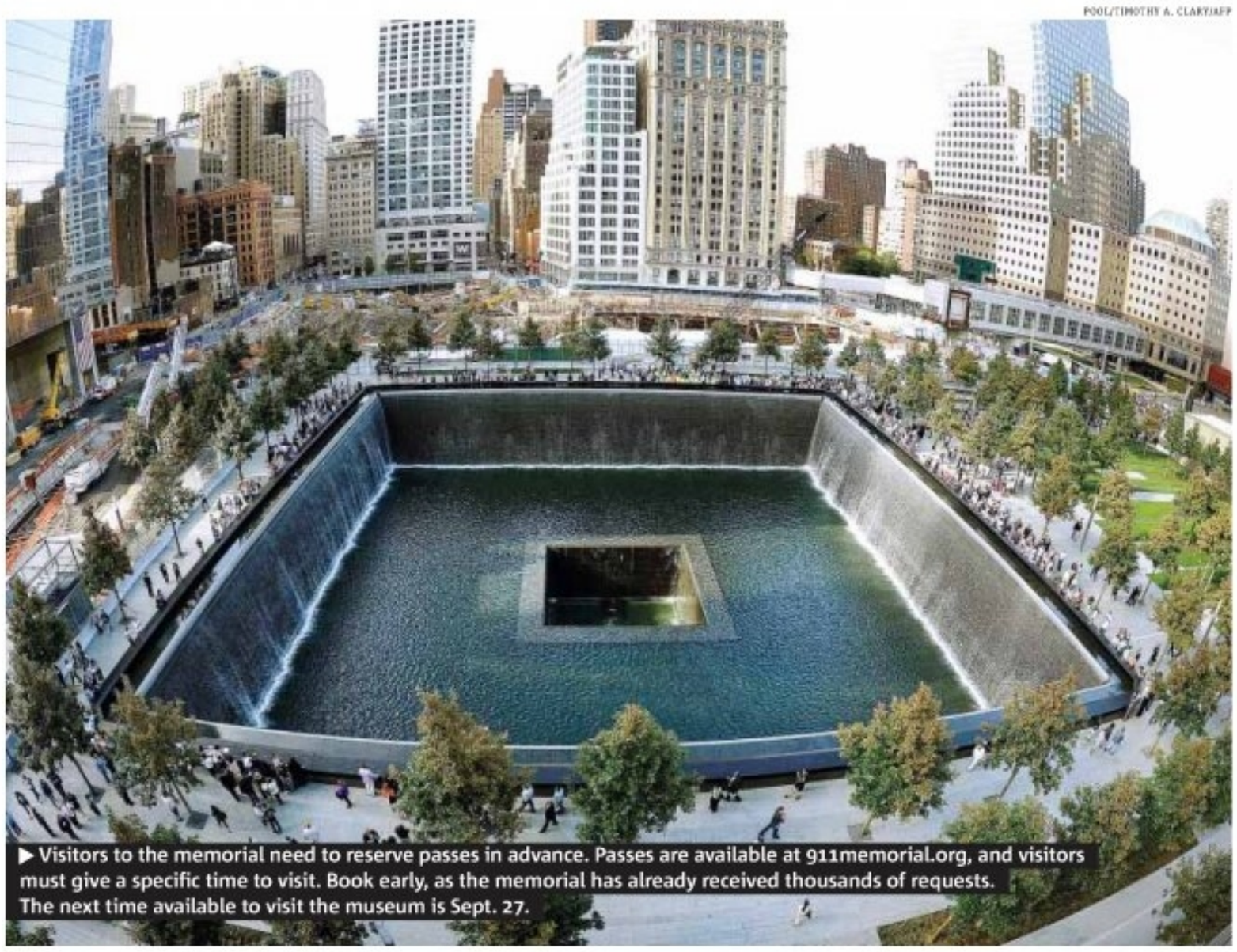
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▶ Visitors to the memorial need to reserve passes in advance. Passes are available at 911memorial.org, and visitors must give a specific time to visit. Book early, as the memorial has already received thousands of requests. The next time available to visit the museum is Sept. 27.

Memorial opens today

Today, for the first time, the National September 11 Memorial will open its gates to the public and show the nation what millions have waited a decade to see: The final resting place for the nearly 3,000 people killed in the attacks.

The memorial officially opened yesterday at the Sept. 11 ceremony, but only family members of those who perished in the attacks were allowed in.

Today the memorial opens, but only to those visitors who have reserved passes in advance. Sign up began back in July for the more than 1,000 visitors expected to stream into the site daily.

Along the memorial walls yesterday, which are inscribed with the names of those killed, some family members touched their relatives' names and left flowers by the etched letters. Many rubbed over the names with white paper and pencil.

The National September 11 Museum, which is located on the memorial, is slated to open in one year, in September 2012.

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"Ten years have passed since a perfect blue sky morning turned into the blackest of nights. Since then we've lived in sunshine and in shadow, and although we can never unsee what happened here, we can also see that ... good works and public service have taken root to honor those we loved and lost."
NEW YORK MAYOR BLOOMBERG

"May your soul finally rest in peace. Your son Nathan and I, as the years go by, grow strong. Goodbye, my dear friend, my teacher and my hero."
CANDY GLAZER, WHOSE HUSBAND EDMUND WAS A PASSENGER ON AMERICAN AIRLINES FLIGHT 11

"We never had a funeral because there was no body, so there was absolutely no closure. ... 10 years later, there is grass and water, and it feels kind of like a new beginning."
DAKOTA HALE OF DENVER, WHOSE STEPFATHER ALFRED MARCHAND WAS A FLIGHT ATTENDANT ON UNITED FLIGHT 175

"So many names, there is barely room on the walls of the heart."
FORMER POET LAUREATE BILLY COLLINS, "THE NAMES"

"Today we choose to remember and share the joy Moira brought to all of us, and we vow that she will always live in our hearts."
RETIRED NYPD OFFICER JAMES SMITH, WHOSE WIFE, NEW YORK POLICE OFFICER MOIRA SMITH, WAS KILLED ON SEPT. 11, 2001

Solemn gathering at site of Flight 93 crash

JEFF SWENSEN/GETTY IMAGES

▶ An estimated crowd of 5,000 watched yesterday as a memorial wall was unveiled with the names of the 40 passengers who died on Flight 93 in Shanksville, Pa.

Thousands gathered yesterday at the site where hijacked United Airlines Flight 93 crashed, killing ing 40 people.

By 10:03 a.m. — the moment when the Boeing 757 passenger jet slammed into the field in Shanksville, Pa. — the sun warmed the faces of those who marked the anniversary.

President Barack Obama arrived at midday to lay a wreath.

The president and the first lady, Michelle Obama, walked to the boulder that marks the approximate site where the airplane crashed and then spent about 45 minutes talking with family members of the passengers and crew members who died.

Flight 93, bound for San Francisco from Newark, N.J., never hit its intended target — investigators believe the hijackers were planning to crash into either the U.S. Capitol or the White House — because some of the passengers stormed the cockpit and attempted, unsuccessfully, to regain control of the aircraft.

Pennsylvania Gov. Tom Corbett said their actions, which caused the plan to crash, "set a new standard for American bravery."

Paul Greengrass, who directed a feature film about Flight 93, said the passengers' achievement seems even more extraordinary today than it was a decade ago. REUTERS

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THE WORD

Metro's **Dorothy Robinson** shares her take on the world of gossip @dorothyatmetro dorothy.robinson@metro.us

When The Biebs met The Wintour

On Thursday night, during Fashion's Night Out, Dolce & Gabbana's Madison Avenue shop turned from hosting a sophisticated soiree to an absolute madhouse once **Justin Bieber** showed up. Decked head to toe in the designer, Bieber brought the paparazzi — and hoards of screaming young fans (they were lining up to buy $195 D&G autographed shirts; a portion of proceeds went to Bieber's favorite charity). Other big names at the FNO event included **Tyson Beckford**, **Chase Crawford**, **Brooklyn Decker**, **Sophia Bush**, **Usher** and **Anna Wintour**.

Beckford chatted with Metro on his style muse: "I'm inspired by walking down the street every day," he said. "I'm inspired by other guys, how they dress. [But] I really want to do this [Dolce & Gabbana] James Bond tuxedo, that thing is sick."

▶ Brooklyn Decker, Justin Bieber and Anna Wintour at Fashion's Night Out. Below, an artistic rendering of the results if Bieber and Wintour swapped hair styles.

When we finally got through the throngs of reporters, we asked Bieber what was one item he couldn't live without. And he actually had a sensible answer: "My shoes," he said. He even gabbed a bit about recording two new albums, saying, "I've been focusing a lot on my Christmas album. I'm excited about the final outcome."

And although our reporter couldn't hear what was said when the superstar actually met Anna Wintour at the event, let's hope it had something to do with one day swapping their iconic hairstyles.

— With additional reporting by Claudia Kassab

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▶ Kinney

Gaga goes vamp?

Even trendsetter **Lady Gaga** is partaking in the vampire trend, as it appears she has a new man in her life: "Vampire Diaries" star **Taylor Kinney**. According to Radar Online, the two met when Kinney was cast in the video for Gaga's new single, "You and I." Things seem to have gotten more serious, according to a source who spotted the pair out at a seaside bar in California recently. "It was just casual at first, but things are getting pretty hot and heavy," the source says. "I couldn't tell it was her at first. It just looked like some hot couple making out."

Talking points

Madonna, the ultimate cougar

Her directing work may be receiving lukewarm reviews, but **Madonna** has other career opportunities, apparently. Dating website CougarLife.com has reportedly approached the singer about becoming its spokeswoman, explaining that Madonna is "without a doubt the queen of cougars." The site is offering her $300,000, plus an additional $750,000 if she releases a song by Valentine's Day for the site.

Leonardo DiCaprio, a thief?

A jewelry store employee in Sydney, Australia, thought she was about to be robbed recently when a man entered wearing a hoodie, baseball cap and sunglasses, but it turns out it was just **Leonardo DiCaprio**, according to Hollyscoop. Before realizing her mistake, the clerk sent a customer to alert the shop's owner. "The customer actually leaned in and said, 'Do you want me to call the police?'" the other store's owner says. "So she rushed in next door, and said, you know, 'There might be a holdup next door.'" The $1,600 necklace that DiCaprio ended up purchasing was a gift for his mom and not rumored girlfriend Blake Lively, according to the store employees.

Madonna

Reese Witherspoon won't sue

Reese Witherspoon is looking to move on after getting hit by a car last week, and the Oscar winner is not planning to press charges, according to People magazine. But that doesn't mean the 84-year-old driver is in the clear, as she was still cited for failing to yield to a pedestrian in a crosswalk. Witherspoon was treated for minor injuries.

The feed ...

▶ Checking in with some of Hollywood's biggest names to see what they've been up to — in their own words, in 140 characters or fewer.

Joel McHale is having fun at the movies, Kathy Griffin is taking her Emmy defeat in stride, Margaret Cho is hungry and Albert Brooks is having trouble communicating in Toronto.

▶ **@joelmchale**
Preparing to see #Contagion. I've covered myself in red spots, fake sweat, & I'm working on my loudest in-movie-theater hacking cough #itchy

▶ **@kathygriffin**
Well I lost to "Deadliest Catch"...which is another name for my vagina.

▶ **@margaretcho**
i wish a food truck would just drive into my mouth i am starving but so tired

▶ **@AlbertBrooks**
My email doesn't work here in Canada so please excuse while I answer my cousin. "NO. No more money you loser. Drop dead."

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A Roast — and other hot beef for your Monday

1: Ryan Gosling and Dave Matthews attended the "Drive" party at the Soho House Pop Up Club during the 2011 Toronto International Film Festival on Saturday in Toronto.
2: Antonio Banderas and wife Melanie Griffith were in the audience for the 2011 NCLR ALMA Awards on Saturday in Santa Monica, Calif.
3: Roastee Charlie Sheen actually looked less like a corpse than usual while onstage at Comedy Central's "Roast of Charlie Sheen" held on Saturday in Los Angeles.
4: George Clooney signed autographs at "The Descendents" premiere during the 2011 Toronto International Film Festival on Saturday.
5: Angelina Jolie and Brad Pitt stunned on the red carpet at the "Moneyball" premiere during the Toronto Film Festival on Friday.

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Two street-fighting men

Joel Edgerton and Tom Hardy go toe to toe as warring brothers in the mixed martial arts drama 'Warrior'

For "Warrior," actors Tom Hardy and Joel Edgerton face off as mixed martial arts fighters — and brothers — trying to punch, kick and grapple their way to a better life. But just because they can pass for lethal cage-fighters on screen doesn't mean either is ready for a career change. "Any one of you guys could beat me up right now," Edgerton says, sizing up the reporters and publicists in the room.

While he's still in peak shape for his next role, Hardy agrees, explaining that the first thing they learned was how little they knew. "You know that we trained because now we know even less about fighting than we did when we started," Hardy says. "You don't go swaggering, because it will come home to roost. It's normally the quietest guy in the room."

"You don't go swaggering, because it will come home to roost."
TOM HARDY, ON TRAINING FOR 'WARRIOR'

If leaked online footage is any indication, the quiet guy taking Hardy down these days is Christian Bale, whose Batman takes on Hardy's freakishly strong Bane in "The Dark Knight Rises," currently filming — though the only thing Hardy will say about that project is that he "can't talk about it at all."

The third of Christopher Nolan's Batman films isn't the first time Bale has gotten in Hardy's way, so to speak, as "Warrior" was originally set to come out last year, but an unfortunate coincidence led to it being delayed. Edgerton explains: "As they got closer to any kind of finished form of the movie, this film called 'The Fighter' came out. They're completely different movies, but on a trailer or on paper, the supposition is they're the same thing."

CHUCK ZLOTNICK

▶ Can both of them win? Tom Hardy, left, plays the younger brother to a mixed martial arts champ, played by Joel Edgerton.

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Box office

'Contagion' takes hold of the box office

Deadly virus thriller "Contagion" caught on with filmgoers and easily took the top spot at the weekend box office in the United States and Canada, according to studio estimates. "Contagion" brought in $23.1 million in ticket sales over its first three days of release, distributor Warner Bros. says. The film tells the story of the race to contain a lethal virus that is quickly circling the globe.

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A new dynamic for Applied Mechanics

Now playing at Philly Fringe, the troupe's timely show explores questions of creative control

After five years of DIY experimental theater, Applied Mechanics is now grappling with the 501c3 question: Should they make the move toward official nonprofit status? If they do, will they continue to make theater on their own terms? Or will they become part of the machine?

Their latest Philly Fringe offering, "Overseers," presents a dystopian future, where the forces of institutional science, religion and bureaucracy lord over creative impulses.

"I definitely don't think it's an accident that we made a show about this stuff at this moment," says Rebecca Wright, who directed "Overseers" and helped to write it with the six other members of AM. "Right now, as a group, we have big questions about power structures, sustainability and control."

At least in part, those questions are arising due to the troupe's success. Last year's offering, "Portmanteau," was a Fringe hit, allowing the Mechanics to think bigger for the next project.

Created for well under $5,000, "Overseers" is part art-installation, part narrative play, presented in an expansive industrial space on Washington Avenue. The audience is invited to walk through Maria Shaplin's set design, interacting with characters and even helping with special effects along the way.

AM developed the piece in just under three months, borrowing ideas and language from a disparate assortment of authors, from Don DeLillo to Andy Warhol. "The script," says Wright, "is a collage of original writing from company members and sections of text that were borrowed — or stolen, depending on how you look at it."

BRUCE WALSH
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On stage at Philly Fringe

SUZANNE DELANEY

▶ From left: Kristen Bailey, Mary Tuomanen, Jessica Hurley, John Jarboe and Thomas Choinacky in "Overseers."

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Fashion Week Reviews

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1 Alexander Wang
The details are what made Wang's part-sporty, part-"Fast and Furious" (complete with graphic BMX helmets) clothes stand out from the other athletic-flavored looks we've seen this week. The word "technical" appeared throughout his press notes for a reason: The collection was filled with small design feats, from his mesh laser-cut utility shorts — which featured pockets that cleverly revealed the hands tucked inside — to the sheer inserts on a cargo skirt printed in Hawaiian style florals, an early contender for the best print of the season. KENYA HUNT

2 Jason Wu
Sporty and street are not exactly words that come to mind when you think of Michelle Obama's go-to designer, and yet he was able to own both ideas by interpreting them in his own polished, Wu-ian way. The beauty is that he experimented with the sporty trend in a way that didn't read too literal. For instance, his lightweight, practically transparent parkas gave his bejeweled collared shirts and short-short pairings a subtle urban edge. The street references surfaced in the floral prints with hand-drawn graphics he commissioned from the graffiti artist Kaws, an industry favorite. It all made for an impressive sign of growth for the designer and should expand his following even more. METRO/KH

3 Rebecca Taylor
This season, Rebecca Taylor's signature feminine dresses and skirts came down the runway in patchworks of silk, python print and sheer fabric — sometimes worn with slouchy jackets for a more relaxed edge. For night (or day, depending on how brave you are) there were shimmery pearl sequined pants and blouses with pailettes. Occasional pops of bright lemon and lime added a jolt of the unexpected. TINA CHADHA

4 Helmut Lang
For the first half of the show, creative directors Nicole and Michael Colovos deftly played with contrasting colors (looks were either all black, all white or black and white, with a yellow moment worked in) and lengths (the hemlines on tops, skirts and dresses rose high on one side and dipped low on the other). But the dressier second half of the show — sexy, fluid jackets and draped dresses, some with burned out patches — was the biggest hit. METRO/KH

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TV watch list

'Gaga by Gaultier'

SPECIAL. It's fitting that the man who dressed music rule-breaker Madonna in a cone bra is the style icon who sits with the next generation's pop rebel, Lady Gaga, for this chat about music, fame and fashion. **Premiere, 8 p.m., The CW**

'Kate Plus 8'

REALITY. Don't worry — tonight's finale certainly isn't the last we'll see of the Gosselin brood. In a few years, there's sure to be a "True Hollywood Story." **Series finale, 9 p.m., TLC**

myjobs

What will the job market look like in 20 years?

We asked Rohit Talwar, CEO of forecasting firm Fast Future, for a 2031 report.

Congrats to Apple University, class of 2031?: "School funding will be a huge issue because of the booming costs of looking after retirees. That's why companies will sponsor schools. In developed countries, the barrier between business and education will be blurred. Everything will be commercial and sponsored. If kids go to a school sponsored by a particular company, they might have to work for that company during the school breaks."

Bad news for bank tellers, good news for nurses: "Bank tellers will essentially disappear by 2031, as will jobs like subway drivers and check-in agents at airports. Only those who pay a premium will get human service in such places. At the same time, a whole range of jobs will be created to look after retirees. Vertical farming will provide new careers, as will new forms of transport and technology-based education."

Retail gets a makeover: "3-D printing will revolutionize manufacturing. Customers will be able to walk into a shop and design their own clothes, which will be manufactured on the spot. That will create new jobs, too."

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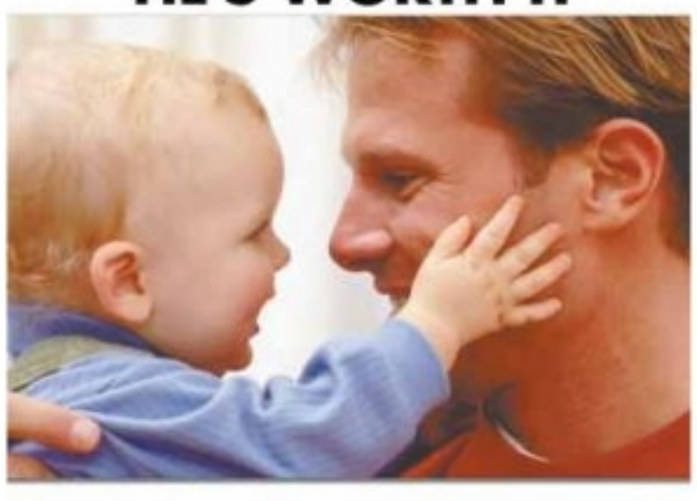

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LADIES WHO LAUNCH

Meet the brains behind the fashion-centric Philadelphia Collection. BY KRISTIN DETTERLINE-MUNRO

It is not unusual for Melanie Johnson and Michelle Shannon to find themselves sitting side-by-side at meetings, parties and even press conferences. Over the past two years, the pair has collaborated on numerous special events and initiatives to promote the City of Brotherly Love in their respective roles as city representative for Philadelphia's Office of Ceremonial & Special Events and Public Relations, and vice president of marketing and communications for the Center City District. Their most successful collaboration to date: The Philadelphia Collection, which debuted last fall. "The event is an opportunity for us to promote the local design community in a fun, retail-driven way," says Shannon.

Spanning 10 days, the inaugural citywide fashion fête featured runway shows of all kinds, special appearances by tastemakers like photographer Nigel Barker and in-store gatherings at more than 60 participating retailers throughout Philadelphia. Cocktails aplenty flowed, and the well-dressed crowds obliged by shopping. A successful replay is exactly what Johnson and Shannon are expecting when The Philadelphia Collection returns September 14.

"Philadelphians love fashion," says Shannon. "We had a terrific turnout with plenty of foot traffic last year. I really think that once people understood what we were doing, they were very receptive."

"When you find something that works, you don't want to change it," adds Johnson. "Just refine the event and make it even more important. People were hungry for this. The timing just seemed perfect."

Part of that timing was driven by a need to create a signature event to rally the many independently produced fashion shows in Philadelphia every September. With initiatives already in place to promote commerce and business development, like the Philadelphia Retail Marketing Alliance (which was also involved in creating The Philadelphia Collection), it was only fitting that city officials should lead the charge. "We had been talking about an event like this for more than a year," says Shannon. "It was a natural evolution of our partnership together regarding retail, to say, 'Hey, this is another way to reinforce the message we are trying to send.'"

Michelle Shannon and Melanie Johnson

Runway at Phashion Phest 2010

Nigel Barker at Macy's

> "People now know about boutiques that they had never heard of before The Philadelphia Collection. That will have a lasting impact."
> —MELANIE JOHNSON

The message is a simple albeit potentially lucrative one—that Philadelphia is a prime location for retailers to set up shop. According to Shannon, retail has been growing steadily over the past several years in Philly. Even in the midst of the economic downturn, the city's vacancy rate increased by only half of one percent, she explains. "We want to promote Philadelphia as a place to have a business," says Johnson. "If we are making national news with The Collection, that gives us something [to point to for] prospective owners."

With the arduous task of launching an event of this size and scope out of the way and many of The Collection's top parties already secured—including coveted invitations like Phashion Phest, FBH Ready to Wear Runway Show and Nicole Miller's 19 Most Fashionable Women in Philadelphia—Shannon and Johnson are focused on growing the current roster of retailers, building student programming through panel discussions and design competitions in conjunction with the city's colleges and universities, and making sure that The Philadelphia Collection remains a dynamic, high-quality fashion and retail event for years to come.

"People now know about boutiques that they had never heard of before The Philadelphia Collection," says Johnson. "That will have a lasting impact." *The Philadelphia Collection will take place September 14 to 24. thephiladelphiacollection.org*

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The Fashion Lab *6143 Germantown Ave 267.973.7508*

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International Fashion Show for Kids, *10:30am-1:30pm*

Right Steps Rittenhouse *1535 Locust St 267.773.7588*

Still Fashion in Motion, *noon-4pm*

Franklin Mills Mall *1455 Franklin Mills Circle 215.683.2059*

Fall Collection Preview, *2-7pm*

Veronica Couture *106 N 2nd Street 215.370.4329*

Jones New York Event

Jones New York *1711 Walnut St 215.864.0110*

Unveiled Philadelphia Grand Opening, *2pm*

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932 N 3rd St 267.216.6339

MON 19

The Joy of Shopping, No Guilt ... No Remorse! *11am-7pm*

Scarlet Fiorella *113 S 13th St 215.922.1955*

Evening of Extravagant Shopping, Fashion Exhibits & Award Ceremony, 5-9pm

Celebrity Fashion Stylist Anthony Henderson and Omega Optical will host another successful evening of Extravagant Shopping and showcasing their Elaborate Fashion Exhibits of Eyewear. This evening will also include light fare and a cocktail reception, as well as an award ceremony of Philadelphia's most notable boutique owners.

Omega Optical
Comcast Center, 1701 John F. Kennedy Blvd 215.564.1288

TUE 20

Skin Care Consultation Experience, *11am-6pm*

The Body Shop *1625 Chestnut St 215.751.9555*

Menswear Accessories Showcase, *3-8pm*

Henry A. Davidsen, Master Tailors & Image Consultants
1701 Spruce St, 2nd Fl 215.253.5905

The Philadelphia Collection Primping Party at Giovanni & Pileggi, *4-6pm*

Giovanni & Pileggi *256 S. 16th St 215.568.3040*

Bloggers' Brunch noon-2pm

A light brunch to invite bloggers and influential members of the fashion community to come out and see a beautiful new venue in Philadelphia. The venue plans to entertain a variety of fashion events such as, launch parties, photo shoots, and fashion shows. The event will be open to the public. Please see ThePhiladelphiaCollection.org to RSVP.

The Waterview Lounge *1020 N. Delaware Avenue*

Behind the Brand: Entrepreneurial Fashion, *6-8pm*

Hosted by Fashion Group International. Please see ThePhiladelphiaCollection.org to RSVP

Hotel Palomar *117 S 17th St 215.683.2059*

The Emperor Has No Clothes: Natural Beauty – The Heart and Soul of Fashion, *6-9pm*

duross & langel *117 S 13th St 215.592.7627*

Philadelphia Fashion Week Buyers & Accessories Opening Event, 7-10pm

PFW Kick Off at Ms. Tootsie's Soul Food Restaurant, buyers event. This event will be set up boutique style featuring Philadelphia Fashion Week designers, shoe designers, accessories, live hair & make-up demonstrations and other stylish or fashion related items or products. This event will be catered butler style. Fashion presentations & films will be on display throughout the venue. RSVP only (350 person capacity): phillyfashionweek.org.

Ms. Tootsie's Soul Food *1314 South St 215.985.9001*

WED 21

Men's Luxury Made-To-Measure Event, *9:30am-8pm*

Boyds *1818 Chestnut St 215.564.9000*

The Philadelphia Collection Primping Party at Giovanni & Pileggi, *4-6pm*

Giovanni & Pileggi *256 S. 16th St 215.568.3040*

Open House and Fall Fashion Preview, *5-7pm*

Eye's Gallery *402 South St 215.925.0193*

Get Fit for Fashion with Bailine! *5-8pm*

Bailine Body Sculpting *1500 Walnut St, Suite 1820 215.545.3600*

Managing Your Brand: The Business of Fashion, *6-8pm*

Ballard Spahr LLP *1735 Market St, 42nd Fl 215.683.2059*

THUR 22

Men's Luxury Made-To-Measure Event, *9:30am-6pm*

Boyds *1818 Chestnut St 215.564.9000*

Sterling Silver Jewelry Care Demo, *11:30am*

Fire and Ice *1625 Chestnut St 410.560.6750 x125*

The Philadelphia Collection Primping Party at Giovanni & Pileggi, *4-6pm*

Giovanni & Pileggi *256 S. 16th St 215.568.3040*

Open House – Fall Preview Event, *4-7pm*

Ann Taylor *1713 Walnut St 215.977.9336*

Open House and Exhibit – Modern Alchemy by FRESH, *4:30-7:30pm*

Scarlett Alley *241 Race St 215.592.7898*

18th Annual Phashion Phest, 7-10pm

Phashion Phest, the Delaware Valley's premier fashion and beauty event showcasing upscale retailers, salons, accessories boutiques and related businesses now celebrates its 18th year. Guests arrive to an extraordinary runway presentation of the finest in fall fashions from more than 20 leading retailers in the tri-state area. Top area salons feature the latest fall looks in hair and makeup as guests' enjoy hors d'oeuvres and top-shelf cocktails. This year's event will include several mobile fashion shows throughout the day at busy Center City locations, ending with a mobile fashion show on the escalators of The Shops at Liberty Place.

The Shops at Liberty Place
1625 Chestnut St 215.670.4325

The Cocktail Chic Fashion Mixer & Runway Show 7-10pm

This event will feature the latest looks and trends for Banana Republic, and two independent fashion designers with hors d'oeuvres and refreshments. RSVP only; to RSVP and see designer information visit phillyfashionweek.org.

FS UP ***Kimmel Center*** *260 S Broad Street 215.751.0292*

Open House at Pileggi Boutique, *5pm*

Pileggi Boutique *715 Walnut St 215.922.3526*

Fall Trunk Show featuring Lewis Cho, *5-8pm*

Kimberly Boutique *123 S 16th St 215.564.1066*

Decades Vintage Open House, *5-7pm*

Decades Vintage *739 S 4th St 215.964.0886*

Philadelphia Fashion Week Black-Tie Affair & Award Ceremony (VIP Event), 7-10pm

The Design of A Decade fashion show will recall looks from the 1950s, 60s, 70s and 80s, styled with items surfaced at local vintage stores, fabric shops, and boutiques. Signature looks from enterprising design students and regional designers will also be on display.

Anchoring the show at the historic Shambles at Second and Lombard Streets in Headhouse Square, the Design of A Decade Fashion Show will be held during Philly Fashion Week's Black-Tie Awards & VIP reception. The event is open to the public with RSVP only at phillyfashionweek.org.

FS UP ***South Street Headhouse District*** *215.625.7989*

The 7th Annual Rittenhouse Row Fall Gathering, 7pm

This event will feature a fashion show with the fall's trendiest looks from Rittenhouse Row's boutiques and spas & salons, as well as the season's hottest cocktails mixed by Rittenhouse Row's most talented bartenders. Tickets are $25 in advance, $30 at the door.

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FRI 23

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The Philadelphia Collection Primping Party at Giovanni & Pileggi, *4-6pm*

Giovanni & Pileggi *256 S. 16th St 215.568.3040*

Birthday Party & Trunk Show, *5-9pm*

Arcadia Northern Liberties *819 N 2nd St 215.667.8099*

BUS STOP Boutique Open House, *5:30-8:30pm*

BUS STOP Boutique *750 S 4th St 215.627.2357*

Fall for Fashion: Chestnut Hill, *6-9pm*

Chestnut Hill Shops & Restaurants
8426 Germantown Ave 215.360.5385

Philadelphia Fashion Week Ready-To-Wear Runway Show, 7-10pm

The ready to wear Runway show will feature eight national & international designers. Red carpet 7-7:30pm, show starts at 8pm. Tickets are $40. For ticket and designer information visit phillyfashionweek.org.

Crane Arts Building *1400 N. American St 215.683.2059*

The Philadelphia Premiere Screening of the NY Fashion Week Documentary, "THE TENTS", 7pm

Evoluer Image Consultants Hosts, the exclusive special preview screening of "The Tents," the New York Fashion Week documentary at the Sofitel Philadelphia. A new documentary directed by James Belzer, takes us behind-the-scenes with top fashion industry players to reveal the origins and evolution of New York Fashion Week at Bryant Park. The film features candid interviews with industry heavy-hitters like Betsey Johnson, Carolina Herrera, Donna Karen, Isaac Mizrahi, Tommy Hilfiger, Zac Posen, Glenda Bailey, Hal Rubenstein, and Nina Garcia. Executive Producers James Belzer and Marcus K. Jones present this fashion-savvy tantalizing must-see. An evening of hors d'oeuvres, cocktails and Q&A to benefit The Evoluer House. This event is invitation only.

Sofitel Hotel *120 S. 17th St 215.592.8988*

SAT 24

Men's Luxury Made-To-Measure Event, *9:30am-5:30pm*

Boyds *1818 Chestnut St 215.564.9000*

Olive Juice Trunkshow, *10am-6pm*

The Children's Boutique *1702 Walnut St 215.732.2661*

Somewhat Subconscious, *6-8pm*

WAG: Whole Animal Gym *611 S 2nd St 215.839.9244*

Philadelphia Fashion Week Couture Runway Show, 7-10pm

Featuring couture collections from national and international luxury designers. Red carpet 7-7:30pm, show starts at 8pm. Tickets are $40. For ticket and designer information visit phillyfashionweek.org. Sponsored by Thomas Properties

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2005 Market St 215.683.2059

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Brooks Brothers *1513 Walnut St 215.564.4100*

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Fashion-Inspired Cocktails from Cuba Libre
Cuba Libre *10 S 2nd St 215.627.0666*

Gift with purchase ***GUESS*** *1520 Walnut St 215.875.8525*

Coco Chanel Cocktails
Liberte Urban Chic Lounge at Sofitel *120 S 17th St 215.569.8300*

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Philadelphia University *4201 Henry Avenue 215.951.2851*

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South Moon Under *1731 Chestnut St 215.563.2298*

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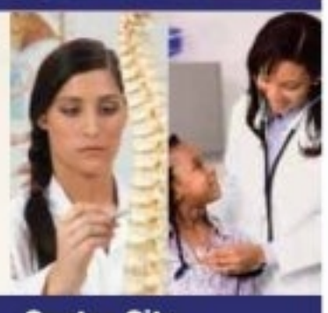

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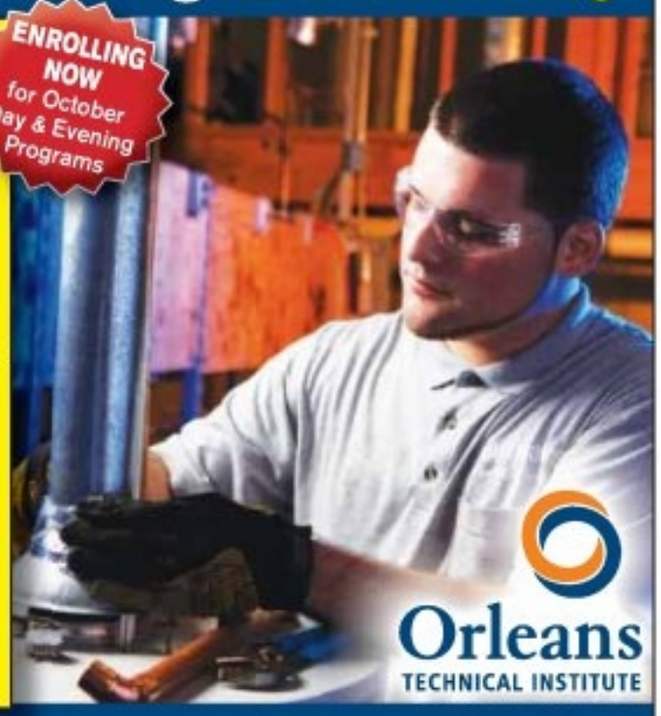

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From 'South Park' creators to professors

Trey Parker and Matt Stone made a guest appearance at NYU for mtvU's 'Stand In' series

Trey Parker and Matt Stone have already taught America's youth about art, religion and war, but last week they gave some lessons in person — in a New York University writing class.

The "South Park" creators surprised a class on "Storytelling Strategies" for mtvU's "Stand In." The Tony Award winners told students to keep their stories simple.

"We started to learn that simple was better," Parker told the class. "But we had to learn that all over again with everything we did — 'South Park,' 'Team America,' 'Book of Mormon.'"

"It's so cool to talk and pretend like we know what we're doing," added Stone.

MTV's 24-hour college network, mtvU, will air Stone and Parker's "Stand In" to more than 750 college campuses; the episode will also be available on demand at mtvU starting Oct. 3.

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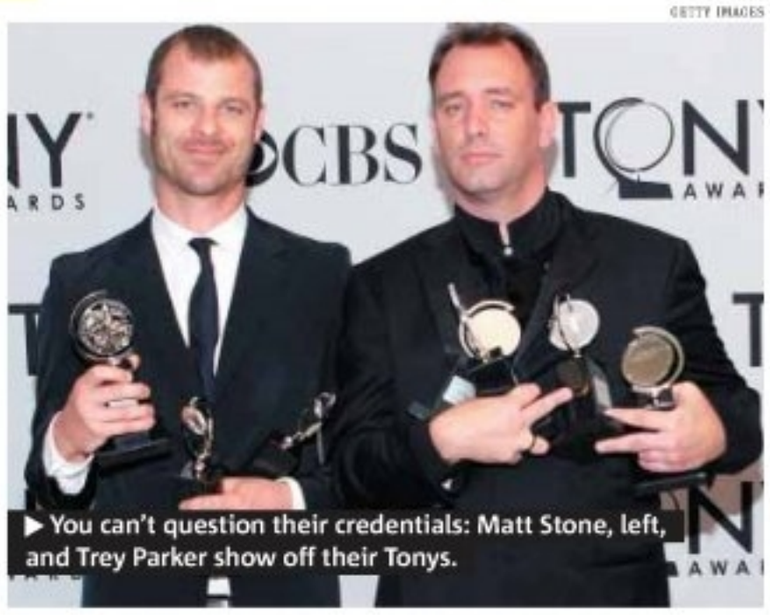

▶ You can't question their credentials: Matt Stone, left, and Trey Parker show off their Tonys.

Quoted

"It's so cool to talk and pretend like we know what we're doing."
MATT STONE

A "South Park" behind-the-scenes documentary will premiere on Comedy Central on Sunday, Oct. 2, and the show will return for its 15th season on Wednesday, Oct. 5.

Past "Stand In" participants have included Madonna, Kanye West, John Legend, Kareem Abdul Jabbar, Russell Simmons, Tom Wolfe, Nas, Marilyn Manson, Snoop Dogg, Sen. John McCain and Sting. TIM MOLLOY/REUTERS

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Violence is never deserved

In reading your letters about the 9/11 attacks, I've seen a number that say they were justified and deserved. That in my opinion is complete hogwash and probably misdirected self-hatred. It's like that nonsense about women who dress in a certain way bringing on their own rapes. Countries that are attacked, whether us or India or England or Israel or Indonesia, will not have a perfect, pure response nor should that be demanded of them.

PAUL SIMONS, PHILADELPHIA

9/11 coverage needs a look

CNN should be ashamed, airing an extremely opinionated, political, anti-American program the night before 9/11. I'm not sure this was the appropriate time to give people like Valerie Plame, Cindy Sheehan and others a political platform. To include them in a program celebrating the brave men and women of 9/11 is an insult to the memories of the true heroes of Sept. 11.

MICHAEL CHIMENTI, VIA E-MAIL

Television coverage of 9/11 dealt mostly with the emotional turmoil of survivors' experiences. What was missing was the very controversial explanation of what really happened: How did the buildings fall so fast? Why did building 7 collapse? Flight 93's debris field spread out over eight miles. The Internet is filled with websites on these subjects but not a word from the media; it really is worth a look.

FRANK ST. GEORGE, VIA E-MAIL

Obama, wake up to Egypt

Where is the condemnation from the U.N., the president and the secretary of state for the burning of the Israeli embassy in Egypt? The president is "concerned" — it's a disgrace not to condemn those he calls "freedom fighters." What a farce.

JOAN BACHMAN, VIA E-MAIL

No one lied about Iraq War

RE: "REMEMBER HOW WE GOT HERE ...": In response to Brayden Simms' remark, "By now most Americans have accepted the fact that we were lied into a self-destructive war," what does he mean by "fact"? I refer Mr. Simms to Melanie Phillips' book, "The World Turned Upside Down," Chapter 3, "The Iraq War." There was no lying, and Phillips lays out how such a claim is itself a distortion of the truth.

SHALOM STAVSKY, VIA E-MAIL

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Horoscope

♍ Virgo **Aug. 23-Sept. 22.** Unfortunately, you might be forced to associate with people who make you feel extremely uncomfortable. Suppress any abrasive comments and remain tactful at all times.

♎ Libra **Sept. 23-Oct. 23.** If you've been sweeping a number of unpleasant tasks under the rug, it might turn out to be the day of reckoning. Unfortunately, you won't be able to put off burdensome tasks.

♏ Scorpio **Oct. 24-Nov. 22.** Don't fall into a trap made by someone you consider to be a friend but who is always trying to bait you into an argument about politics or religion.

♐ Sagittarius **Nov. 23-Dec. 21.** You must know that making unreasonable demands or requests on your mate or family members will be rejected, so why go down that avenue? Don't be a troublemaker.

♑ Capricorn **Dec. 22-Jan. 19.** Waking up on the wrong side of the bed might put you in a bad mood all day long. You could even get steamed about things you've always tolerated previously.

♒ Aquarius **Jan. 20-Feb. 19.** This might not be one of your better days where money is concerned. It would be best not to take on any new financial obligations or pay out what you can't afford to lose.

♓ Pisces **Feb. 20-March 20.** Strong, unexpected opposition could be awaiting you from a nest of people who think differently than you. Keep yourself from overreacting.

♈ Aries **March 21-April 19.** Something you never promised is likely to be expected of you anyway. Rather than go to battle over it, do it if you have the time.

♉ Taurus **April 20-May 20.** Unless you can avoid the company of those who have superior attitudes, you can expect to be bossed around a bit. However, I doubt you'll stand by and take it.

♊ Gemini **May 21-June 20.** Those who are usually around to pick up the pieces and/or back you up aren't likely to be there for you when you need them the most. You had better be prepared to be totally self-reliant.

♋ Cancer **June 21-July 22.** Don't get angry and try to force compliance on those you thought were in accordance with your proposals but obviously aren't. It's not their fault.

♌ Leo **July 23-Aug. 22.** Unless you can say no and mean it, you're likely to open yourself up to being pressured into doing something you dislike by someone who knows how to manipulate you. **BERNICE BEDE OSOL**

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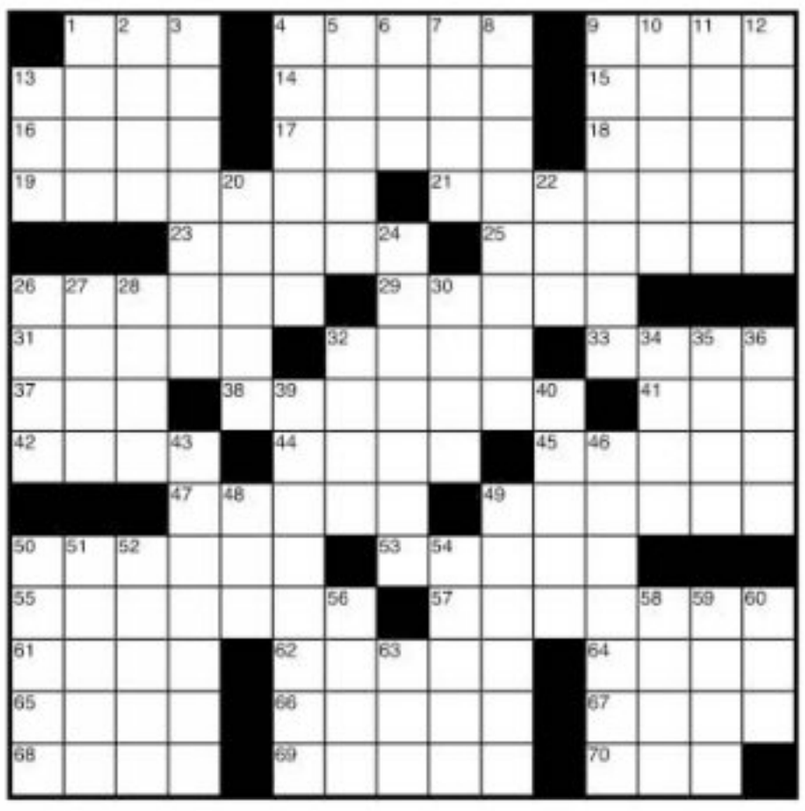

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▶ LeSean McCoy quieted the Edward Jones Dome crowd yesterday.

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A 'DREAM' START

McCoy, Eagles batter Rams in season opener ‘Shady’ racks up 122 on ground, including 95 in the fourth quarter He’s the Eagles’ real closer

The Rams' PA announcer called for a moment of silence before kickoff yesterday to honor the victims of the 9/11 attacks.

Late in the fourth quarter, with the Eagles leading 24-13, LeSean McCoy orchestrated his own moment of silence, quieting the crowd at the Edward Jones Dome with a 49-yard run. That romp put the finishing touches on a 31-13 victory over St. Louis.

"At first, it was tough with the run game and surely it came together," McCoy said. "Eventually, we knew it was going to hit. And sure enough, it hit the right way."

"Running with Michael Vick, I'm kind of used to that, just trying to outdo him. But you have to credit the offensive line. Them guys did a lot today"
MCCOY, ON RUNNING FOR 100 YARDS

McCoy, wearing a Superman T-shirt in the locker room, did nothing to diminish his role as the Eagles' unofficial closer. The third-year back racked up 95 yards in the fourth.

When McCoy was informed of that stat, he asked: "Is that right? What did I finish with?"

When the response of 122 yards came back, McCoy responded, "That's crazy."

McCoy has scored 40 percent of his career touchdowns (15) in the fourth quarter. And six of them were in games decided by seven or fewer points. Despite the hard evidence, he wouldn't dare declare the fourth quarter as Shady Time.

"I won't say that," McCoy said. "Because with this offense, with these players, any different time or any different play or quarter anybody can go. I think a lot of the new guys on this team, the first thing they say is, 'Man, there is so much talent on this team, more than any I've been on.'"

But McCoy has been the one getting it done in crunch time, especially with a lead.

"That's the idea ... run the clock, run the ball," Todd Herremans said.

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Three things ...

1 Liner notes: The O-line was way better than advertised. After a shaky first series, the much-maligned unit stepped it up, and Mike Vick actually had some time to set up shop in the pocket. The one negative was the backs and tight ends need to recognize blitzes better.

2 Pay that man: Repeat after me: DeSean Jackson is a *playmaker*. The diva receiver was economical as usual, making six catches for 102 yards. But his 6-yard TD broke the game open, and his 41-yard haul set up the team's first score. Jackson was also out there returning punts. Pay him.

3 Tapp that: Darryl Tapp, coming off an impressive preseason, saw some 15-20 snaps before leaving with a pectoral strain. His first-quarter sack and strip on Sam Bradford led to a 56-yard fumble recovery for a TD. METRO/MG

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"The relationship with the Eagles has been real, real good lately, so I'm just going to keep doing what I need to do, keep my mouth quiet and just have fun."
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O-line an unlikely strong point in 'W'

Herremans, Kelce, others look strong Reid admits to some miscommunications, but seems pretty pleased

It would have been the perfect time for Andy Reid to say "I told you so," about his shuffled offensive line.

Of course, he didn't do that. Reid admitted his line had a few miscommunications early, but seemed pleased overall.

"We were just off by a hair, just sheer inch plays," Reid said. "We have to be just a little step quicker and we will be OK."

The team's biggest question mark entering the season fought off the crowd noise and looked strong — especially at right tackle, where Todd Herremans dominated Chris Long.

Reid seemed pleased with the play of rookie center Jason Kelce.

"I have to go back and look at the tape, but I felt like he handled all the calls pretty well," Reid said.

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▶ The strong showing by the Eagles' O-line let Mike Vick rush for 100 yards.

The offensive line gave up three sacks, but also allowed two players — Mike Vick (100), LeSean McCoy (122) — to rush for 100 yards. The last time two Eagles ran for 100 yards was Oct. 28, 2002.

"I think we surprised some people," Herremans said. "We were obviously questioned going into the game, hopefully we answered some of those questions."

They certainly passed the test among teammates.

"They did a good job, man," McCoy said. "They took a lot of hard shots from the media, but them guys stepped in and played well." METRO/MG

▶ Grossman

Redskins topple Giants

The Washington Redskins started the season on a high note, surprising NFC East rival New York with a 28-14 win at home.

It was Washington's first win over the Giants in seven tries.

Rex Grossman justified his starting role for the 'Skins, hitting on 21 of 34 passes for 305 yards and two TDs. METRO

Newton solid in NFL debut

Cam Newton might have been a good pick at No. 1, after all.

The Panthers lost to the Cardinals, 28-21, but Newton threw for 422 yards on 24-for-37 passing. He tossed two TDs and one interception. METRO

4:01

The Eagles took their first lead of the season with 4:01 left in the first yesterday, when Juqua Parker scored on a fumble return.

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Phillies. Fall at Milwaukee

▶ Yovani Gallardo struck out 12 in seven innings of work yesterday.

Gallardo, Brewers just too much

Yovani Gallardo pitched seven strong innings and Ryan Braun singled in the go-ahead run yesterday as the Brewers topped the Phillies, 3-2, in Milwaukee. The Phils (94-49) got sixth-inning home runs from Shane Victorino and Ryan Howard, but that was the extent of their offense for the day. METRO

In AL, Red Sox fading

A week or so ago, it was academic that the Yankees and Red Sox would both be going to the playoffs.

Not anymore.

Tampa Bay drubbed Boston 9-1 yesterday, completing a three-game sweep and moving within 3.5 games of the fast-fading Sox's wild-card spot.

Boston has lost five straight, its longest skid since starting the season 0-6. The resurgent Rays, meanwhile, have ripped off four straight wins.

The teams start a four-game series at Fenway Park on Thursday. METRO

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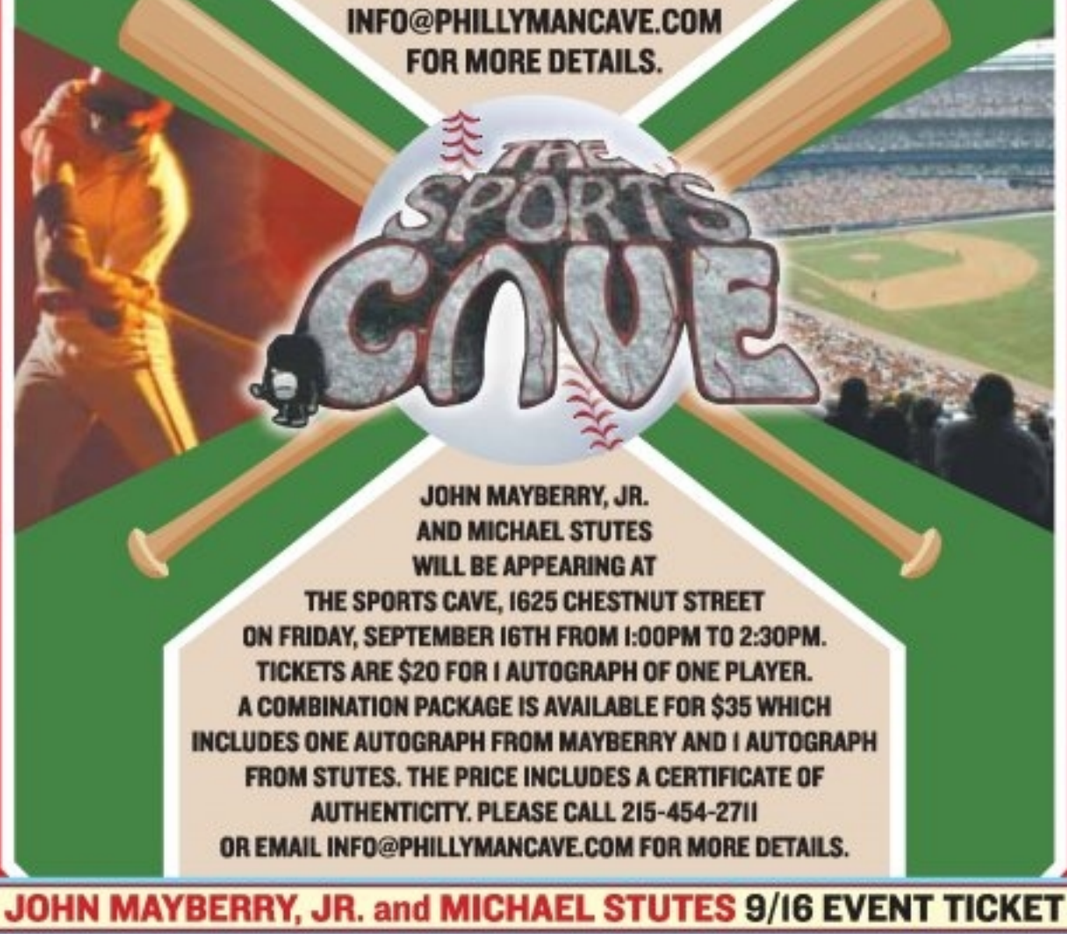

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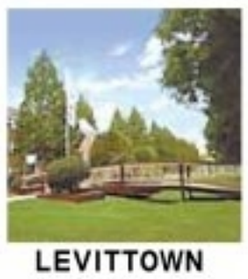

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Is Novak in Nadal's head?

Is Novak Djokovic in Rafael Nadal's head?

So far this year, the answer has been an unequivocal yes.

Djokovic has beaten Nadal in five finals and on three surfaces, including the big stage of the Wimbledon final, during his incredible 2011.

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Only five men have won at least three majors in a calendar year. Djokovic would become the sixth.

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Now the two best players in the world will tangle for the U.S. Open championship today.

"This year I lost the last five finals against [Djokovic] so this will be the sixth," Nadal said. "That's an advantage for him. He's obviously the favorite for the final.

"I know I have to do something better than the other matches to try and change the situation."

Nadal had not lost a set through five matches here before showing a chink in his armor in the third against Andy Murray in the semifinal.

Still, Nadal is now 59-10 in 2011 and half of those losses have come against Djokovic, now an amazing 63-2 on the season.

"I know that I have a game that is good enough to win against him," Djokovic said. "I proved that this year in three different surfaces."

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Carmakers to fight gloom in Frankfurt

Many luxury brands to showcase new models at annual global auto summit Analysts say car market will be very cluttered in coming months

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Audi chairman Rupert Stadler, right, and a young car enthusiast test a concept car yesterday in Frankfurt.

The global car industry descends on Frankfurt this week to show off the latest models it hopes will fend off an economic slowdown in some of its biggest markets, as government spending cuts chip away at consumer confidence in Europe.

Carmakers are also facing slowing growth in China, now the world's No. 1 auto market, and a major driver of surging demand for luxury cars over the last two years.

Even if the United States avoids recession, competition will intensify there as Japanese automakers battle to claw back ground lost when the March earthquake disrupted production.

Car registrations in some major European markets actually rose last month, but analysts are warning the numbers, which reflect cars bought up to two months ago, before the summer's stock market slump, do not tell the whole story.

"Certainly from a stock market point of view, a lot has changed during that time," said Barclays Capital analyst Michael Tyndall. "I take little comfort from good August numbers."

European carmakers may have scrambled to increase their presence in China and other new regions but they still rely on Europe for the bulk of their sales and tough austerity measures threaten consumer spending power. REUTERS

What's in Frankfurt?

The Frankfurt show, which opens to the media Wednesday, is traditionally a chance for premium German carmakers to show off their new models. Those brands in particular have been riding high, as newly affluent Chinese buyers have snapped up their plush models, but the smaller cars they are set to unveil next week should help them win a bigger slice of stagnating demand in Europe, where tightening emissions legislation favors small vehicles.

"It's a wide trend, especially for German carmakers, shifting down-segment," said IHS Global Insight analyst Tim Urquhart, adding that the move also helped attract younger drivers. "They can expand into the smaller segments and there's a whole new demographic that will be able to buy their vehicles."

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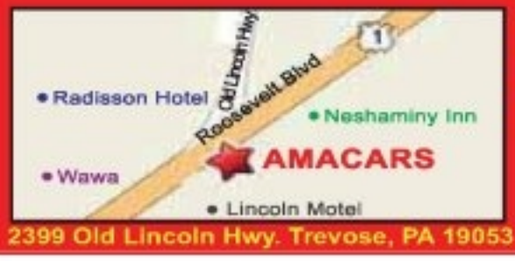

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